- (1) The extent to which the project will contribute to the advancement of maternal and child health and/or improvement of the health of children with special health care needs;
- (2) The extent to which the project is responsive to policy concerns applicable to MCH grants and to program objectives, requirements, priorities and/or review criteria for specific project categories, as published in program announcements or guidance materials.
- (3) The extent to which the estimated cost to the Government of the project is reasonable, considering the anticipated results;
- (4) The extent to which the project personnel are well qualified by training and/or experience for their roles in the project and the applicant organization has adequate facilities and personnel;
- (5) The extent to which, insofar as practicable, the proposed activities, if well executed, are capable of attaining project objectives.
- (c) For the following types of CISS projects, preference for funding will be given to qualified applicants in areas with a high infant mortality rate (relative to the latest average infant mortality rate in the United States or in the State in which the area is located):
- (1) Projects for the development and expansion of maternal and infant health home visiting;
- (2) Projects to increase the participation of obstetricians and pediatricians in title V and title XIX programs;
- $\hspace{1cm} \textbf{(3) Integrated maternal and child} \\ \textbf{health service systems;}$
- (4) Maternal and child health centers operating under the direction of not-for-profit hospitals;
- (5) Rural maternal and child health programs; and
- (6) Outpatient and community based services for children with special health care needs.

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§51a.6 What confidentiality requirements must be met?

All information as to personal facts and circumstances obtained by the project's staff about recipients of services shall be held confidential, and shall not be disclosed without the individual's consent except as may be otherwise required by applicable law or as may be necessary to provide for medical audits by the Secretary with appropriate safeguards for confidentiality of patient records. Otherwise, information may be disclosed only in summary, statistical, or other form which does not identify particular individuals

§51a.7 What other DHHS regulations apply?

- (a) Several other DHHS regulations apply to awards under this part. These include, but are not limited to:
- 42 CFR part 50—Policies of general applicability:
- subpart B—Sterilization of persons in federally assisted family planning projects. subpart C—Abortions and related medical services in federally assisted programs of the Public Health Service.
- subpart E—Maximum allowable cost for drugs.
- 45 CFR part 76—Governmentwide debarment and suspension (nonprocurement) and governmentwide requirements for drug-free workplace (grants).
- 45 CFR part 80—Nondiscrimination under programs receiving Federal assistance through the Department of Health and Human Service—Effectuation of title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- 45 CFR part 81—Practice and procedure for hearings under Part 80 of this title.
- 45 CFR part 84—Nondiscrimination on the basis of handicap in programs and activities receiving or benefiting from Federal financial assistance.
- 45 CFR part 86—Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities receiving or benefiting from Federal financial assistance.
- 45 CFR part 91—Nondiscrimination on the basis of age in HHS programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance.
- 45 CFR part 93—New restrictions on lobbying.
- (b) In addition to the above regulations, the following apply to projects funded through grants:
- 42 CFR part 50—Policies of general applicability: